Meeting Minute

ADA Focus Group - Meeting #2

Date 3/06/18

Time 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Attendees: Crys Donovan, Catalina Angel, Jeff Hansen, Merrily Shirey, Ngan Ha Yang, and consultants: Tim Gilbert and Heather Buczek

General Comments

- Speed bumps are a problem for chair use when sidewalks are not available or accessible
- Complete trail gaps
- Many pedestrian refuge islands are not safe
- Ramp assembly vans can high center on driveways
- Cul-de-sac access to parks needs curb ramps
- The city requires the most disabled to complain the most because they are the most vulnerable.

Policy Comments

- The city should post information on the park sites related to construction or other disruptive conditions so people know that cannot use the site or amenity
- The city should post information on the accessibility of park sites
- The city should conduct staff awareness training. 'Ride a mile in my shoes.' Have staff navigate the city using various mobility devices.
- The city should adopt universal design practices
- The city needs to hold all its meetings in accessible locations
- ADA barriers should be addressed where work is already happening on maintenance and capital projects.
- Minimum sidewalk width needs to be at least 7-1/2 feet
- Scriber Park the bench has been removed that was used for both rest and reflection. What made the site desirable is now gone. The city needs to consider the function of the amenity before removing items. This site is no longer usable by some due to the bench being removed. Resting spots along the trails are important for users with mobility issues.

Priorities Discussion

• Lynndale Park - address wheeled user needs; there are lots of mothers and kids with strollers.

• ADA barriers should be addressed near multi-family housing and programs near these locations should be evaluated. Kids end up playing in parking lots

Specific locations identified on the map by Jeff Hansen where access improvements are needed

- West entry from 168th PI SW to Spruce Park
- 175th St SW to Spruce Way
- West entry from 34th Pl W to Stadler Ridge Park
- Northwest entry from 180th PI SW to Pioneer Park
- Southwest entry from 185th PI SW to the trail leading to Pioneer Park
- North entry from 183rd PI SW to North Lynnwood Park
- There is no sidewalk crossing I-5 at 44th Ave W